



First United Methodist Church Fox Hill

A vibrant church, making Christian disciples & enriching lives through outreach.

Welcome

November 19, 2023



Galatians 5:13-26 "Fruitful Language"

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November 19, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Traditional Service

- Prelude
- Welcome and Announcements
- * Call to Worship
Let us offer the gift that God most desires:
a humble spirit and a contrite heart.
**Let us kneel before the One who creates,
calls, and comforts us.**
- * Hymn UMH 131 "We Gather Together"
Children's Time Pastor Brian
- Blessing the Operation Christmas Child Boxes
- Offering Prayer and Offertory
- * Doxology UMH 71 "Glory Be to the Father"
* Hymn UMH 92 "For the Beauty of the Earth"
Prayer of Confession Patty Biondolillo
O God of life, love, and light, you call us to be stewards of your gifts; instruments of your peace; witnesses to your glory. Where we bury our talents in the ground, forgive us. Where we construct walls instead of bridges, forgive us. Where we hide your light under a basket, forgive us. Lead us, in your righteousness, from darkness to light; from hatred to love; from death to life, for we pray in the mighty name of Jesus, Amen.
- Words of Assurance
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.
- Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer Patty Biondolillo
- Anthem "Thanksong"
Nygard First Fox Hill Family Choir
- Scripture Galatians 5:13-26
- Sermon "Fruitful Language" Pastor Brian
- * Affirmation of Faith UMH 881 Apostles' Creed
- * Hymn UMH 694 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" (vss. 1-3)
* Benediction Pastor Brian
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with all of us. **Amen.**
- * Benediction Response UMH 694 "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" (vs. 4)
- Postlude
- *Please stand as you are able



My Commitment to God

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Address: _____

Because of God's great love for us, I/we wish to help share God's love throughout 2024 with ongoing financial support of the missions and ministries of First UMC Fox Hill.

Therefore, I/we intend to contribute: \$ _____ per week month year.

This pledge is a: tithe step towards tithe step beyond tithe a first time to pledge.

Signature: _____

Please contact me/us about Planned Giving through wills or estates.

November 19, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Modern Service

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| Prelude | | |
| Welcome and Announcements | | |
| * Call to Worship | | |
| Let us offer the gift that God most desires: a humble spirit and a contrite heart. | | |
| Let us kneel before the One who creates, calls, and comforts us. | | |
| * Songs | “He is Faithful” Bryan and Katie Torwalt | |
| | “Open Up the Heavens” Vertical Worship | |
| | “So Will I” Hillsong UNITED | |
| Offering Prayer and Offering | | |
| Blessing the Operation Christmas Child Boxes | | |
| Scripture | Galatians 5:13-26 | |
| Sermon | “Fruitful Language” | Pastor Brian |
| * Affirmation of Faith | UMH 881 | Apostles’ Creed |
| Reflection | “King of my Heart” Bethel Music and Steffany Gretzinger | Worship Team |
| Morning Prayer & Lord’s Prayer | | Patty Biondolillo |
| * Benediction | | Pastor Brian |
| The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with all of us. Amen. | | |
| Postlude | | |
| | *Please stand as you are able | |

ThanksGIVING Appreciation for our FUMC Fox Hill Staff

We are so thankful for our church staff! They give tirelessly behind the scenes to enrich our spiritual lives, preparing the message, a song, a bulletin, a beautiful musical selection or a powerful prayer. Other staff members provide a nurturing, safe place to leave our children during church services and special events, enhance the spiritual development of our youth, make sure all our bills are paid, and that the environment is clean and safe. Let’s show our THANKS by GIVING to the Staff Christmas Bonus Fund from November 5 through December 17. Please make sure to note “Staff Christmas Bonus Fund” on your envelope or online donation.

Our staff are exceptionally talented and skilled, and Christmas is a wonderful time to show our THANKS by GIVING a little extra. Sincerely, Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee

Supplies Available

Someone in the church has women’s Depends size M/L that they would like to donate to someone who needs them. Please contact Betty Knaub at 757-850-4013 and I will let them know. Thanks!

Fifty Plus – 2023

We have **only 9 seats left** for for **Jacob Marley’s Christmas Carol, Saturday afternoon, December 9** at the **Smithfield Little Theatre**. Don’t miss this unique take on a well-known tale. Afterward we will stop for dinner. **Price is \$18** plus dinner.

We have a Dec 12 sign-up deadline for our April 10 – 13, 2024 spring trip to **Charleston, SC**. Flyers and reservation sheets are on the rack next to the Welcome Desk in the Narthex. Attractions include a tour of Historic Charleston, Fort Sumter, Boone Hall Plantation and Gardens, the Naval & Maritime Museum, and a presentation of *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical* in the Historic Dock Street Theatre. Because of the early sign-up date, we have shared the information with some local churches. **Don’t miss out; reserve now!**

Watch the bulletin for additional announcements. Contact Anne or Bill Bryan to sign-up – in person, at abandbb1@cox.net, or by phone to 757-851-0748.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 19 Stewardship Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Service: In-Person/Livestream
- 10:30 a.m. Modern Service: In-Person/Livestream
- 10:30 a.m. Faithlink Class: Classroom
- 10:30 a.m. Searchers Class: FH Stage/Zoom Passcode: 000846
- 10:30 a.m. Rise Children's Ministry: Ed Wing
- 6:00 p.m. Elevate Youth Fellowship: Ed Wing 2nd Fl
- 6:30 p.m. Shepherds Ministry Meeting: Tri-X Room

Monday, November 20

- 10:00 a.m. Holy Yoga: FH Stage
- 10:00 a.m. Tri-X Monday School: Tri-X Room
- 1:00 p.m. Monday Bible Study Group: Tri-X Room
- 6:30 p.m. UMM Meeting: FH

Tuesday, November 21

- 8:00 a.m. Facilities Team Meeting
- 10:00 a.m. Shawl Makers: ESR
- 11:00 a.m. Bagging for Food Pantry
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 151 Meeting: FH
- 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 151 Meeting: FH
- 7:00 p.m. PPSRC: Tri-X Room

Wednesday, November 22

- 9:30 a.m. Soul Sisters: Faithlink Room
- 12:00 p.m. Food Pantry
- 4:00 p.m. Love Unites: Faithlink Room
- 5:45 p.m. Wesley Bells Rehearsal: Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. 1st Fox Hill Family Choir Practice: Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen

Thursday, November 23 Thanksgiving Church Office Closed

Friday, November 24

- 9:30 a.m. Women in the Word: Faithlink
- 6:00 p.m. Buckroe New Hope AA Group: FH Kitchen
- 6:00 p.m. BSA Crew 1151 Meeting: Tri-X Room
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 1038 Meeting: Ed Wing

Saturday, November 25

- 9:00 a.m. Buckroe Men's AA Group: FH Kitchen
- 9:00 a.m. Saturday Morning Prayers: Faithlink Room
- 2:00 p.m. Book Club: Robinson Home

Next Sunday



Nov. 26, 2023 Mission Celebration

1 Peter 1:1-22

“Victorious Language”



Last Week's Attendance 11/12/2023

| In person | 131 |
|-------------------------|------------|
| 9:00 a.m. Service | 98 |
| 10:30 a.m. Service | 33 |
| Sunday School | 55 |
| Internet Live Streaming | 120 |
| 9:00 a.m.: | 65 |
| 10:30 a.m.: | 55 |

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Last Week's Tithes & Offerings

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| Total One Fund: | \$ 10,955.88 |
| Year to Date: | \$ 489,873.68 |

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

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| Last Week: | \$ 55.00 |
| Year to Date: | \$ 3,115.10 |

Christmas Dinner/Theatre

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring a Christmas Dinner/Theatre on **Sunday, Dec. 9 at 6 PM** in the Fellowship Hall. The dinner and entertainment will be provided and served by our Youth Group. **Tickets (\$15)** will be **available in the Narthex Sundays Nov. 19, 26, and Dec. 3**, and from the UMW leadership. Proceeds from the sale will go to the youth of our church. Questions: Contact Karen McNeil (757) 570-0737.

Help the Environment!

The kitchen committee is asking that you recycle that coffee cup! There will be a waste can with a recycle sign on it in the fellowship hall on Sundays. Every bit helps! We are also attempting to buy recyclable paper products that will be stored in the kitchen pantry for your use. Please note that there is a green bin in the kitchen for boxes, bottles, cans, etc. Thank you!

Worship Assistants for November 19, 2023

| Service Time | 9:00 a.m. | 10:30 a.m. |
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| Nov. Ushers | Jimmy Roberson (Capt.), Joyce Winston, A.G. Womble, Rick Nolin, Fred Foster | Dave Sharp (Capt.), Daniel Clark |
| Liturgist | Jane Barbour | Susan Nadeau |
| Projection | Mary Parker | |
| Sound & Lights | Hunter Francis | Joey & Andi Meyer-Orozco |
| Camera/Video | John Payne | Mike Williams |
| Livestream | Jim Branstetter | Jim Branstetter |
| Ambassadors | 11/19 LaRose Richardson & Lisa Hite 11/26 Nancy Geith & Joann Smith | 11/19 Lynn Landrum 11/26 Judy & Mike Adams |
| Night Watchmen | 11/19 Dallas Jenkins, 11/26 Bob Casey, 12/3 Steve Phillips | |